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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chairwoman
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman DeLauro & Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting \$1,100,000 in funding to improve access to medically underserved residents in Mineral County, WV by converting a vacant strip mall and warehouse into a flexible outpatient facility for specialized patient services.

The project sponsor is the Potomac Valley Hospital and is located at 196 Tornado Way, Keyser, WV 26726.

This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and will add 12,000 square feet of much-needed clinical space as a satellite site for Potomac Valley Hospital (PVH). PVH is a nonprofit critical-access hospital, which is affiliated with the West Virginia University Medical System.

The converted space will house telehealth-integrated cardiology and dermatology suites as well as a new hyperbaric wound care specialty unit. PVH estimates this site will receive up to 13,300 annual in-person visits from patients, who are currently forced to travel to Morgantown (90 minutes away) or Cumberland (30 minutes away) for the same level of specialty care. For residents of Keyser and the surrounding communities, this new site will offer a dedicated outpatient hub with rotating specialists and provide a telemedicine platform to connect healthcare providers to patients at home or at smaller primary care facilities in the region.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,



David B. McKinley, P.E.
Member of Congress